Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 31 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 01 Jan 2022

Forecast Issued on Friday 31 Dec 2021 at 05:16 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Low for the northward extent of rain on Friday. High for mild and very windy conditions to start New Year. Increasing confidence in a colder regime developing early next week from the north.

Headline for Friday 31 Dec 2021: Mainly dry with light winds. Perhaps some rain in south.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 31 Dec 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Drizzle	Light rain	Mist
Precipitation probability					
10%	20%	10%	30%	10%	50%

Forecast for Friday 31 Dec 2021

Weather: A dry start generally and staying dry in the far north much of the day. Outbreaks of rain spread north during the day this mainly light.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% falling 20% from the south.

Visibility: Mainly good then falling moderate locally poor in light rain or drizzle with occasional cloud down to 750m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	10/13 SW	5/6 N	8/10 E	18/22 E	26/31 SE	29/35 S	24/29 SE
900	10/13 SW	5/6 N	8/10 E	16/20 E	23/27 SE	28/33 S	23/27 SE
600	7/11 SW	4/4 N	6/8 E	14/17 E	16/21 SE	19/25 S	15/20 SE
300	2/9 SW	1/7 N	2/7 E	4/13 E	3/14 SE	5/23 S	3/16 SE
Glen	1/3 NW	4/4 NE	6/8 NE	10/14 E	8/18 SE	8/20 S	7/17 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	3/-2	3/1	4/1	3/-2	3/-3	4/-2	4/-2
900	3/-1	4/1	4/1	3/-1	3/-2	4/-2	4/-1
600	5/2	5/4	6/4	6/2	6/1	6/2	6/2
300	6/5	6/6	7/6	6/5	6/4	7/6	7/6
Glen	8/8	9/8	9/8	9/6	9/7	9/8	10/9
Freezing Level*	1100m	1200m	1700m	1800m	1900m	1700m	2000m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

A day of settled weather but note the deteriorating conditions during the evening with low cloud and strengthening winds.

Forecast for Saturday 01 Jan 2022

Weather: Storm force winds making progress very difficult on high slopes. A spell of heavy rain overnight and early morning then bright spells and occasional blustery showers, some heavy and possibly thundery. Showers turning wintry on the Munro tops later.

Maximum wind: Southeast 30mph increasing South or Southwest 40 to 50mph with gusts 75mph by morning.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% at first, becoming 70%.

Visibility: Poor at first with areas of cloud above 500m. Becoming mainly good but poor in showers with patchy cloud down to 500m at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6C rising to 12C.
At 800m: Plus 4 or 5C.
Freezing level: Above summits, falling to 1100m in evening.

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